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Virginia Aviation Board Allocates Funds To State Airports

RICHMOND—At the 31st Annual Virginia Aviation Conference held in Roanoke recently, the Virginia Aviation Board (VAB) approved tentative allocations for 37 of the Commonwealth's airports from the Commonwealth Airport Fund, totaling \$8,703,319 in discretionary funds and \$2,855,062 in entitlement funds. **Receiving one of the largest discretionary allocations was Richmond International Airport, in the amount of \$2,703,439 for Air Traffic Control Tower (Multi-Year), Concourse "B" (formally "C") Expansion (Multi-Year), Terminal Building Furnishings (Multi-Year) and Terminal Building Expansion. Richmond also received \$1,999,999 in entitlement funds for Taxiway "U" Extension (Multi-Year), Terminal Building Expansion (Multi-Year), Terminal Platform & Elevated Roadway (Multi-Year) and Loop Roadways (Multi-Year).** Other airports receiving allocations from the VAB were:

Region 1:

- **Mountain Empire Airport** in the amount of \$7,792 for East Side Apron (Construction);
- **New River Valley Airport** was awarded \$2,862 for Airport Layout Plan (ALP) Update;
- **Tazewell County Airport** was awarded \$41,160 for Runway, Taxiway & Apron Rehab. (Construction) – Increased (Non-AIP) and Maintenance Equipment Storage Building (Construction);
- **Twin County Airport** was allocated \$30,000 for Runway 18/36 Rehabilitation/Widening (Construction);
- **Virginia Highlands Airport** in the amount of \$69,390 for Environmental Assessment – Runway 6 Extension (Construction), Obstruction Removal – Phase 5 (Construction) and West Side Development – Phase 3 (Construction);
- **Virginia Tech-Montgomery Executive Airport** was awarded \$129,888 for Land Acquisition Services – RPZ, Apron Expansion – Phase 2 (Design/Construction), Airport Master Plan (ALP) Update, Apron Rehabilitation – Phase 2 (Construction) Increase;

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Region 2:

- **Blue Ridge Airport** was allocated \$554,390 for Clear Span Hangar Site Preparations (Construction), Environmental Assessment – Future Development, West Side Apron – Phase 2;
- **Ingalls Field** in the amount of \$95,982 for Apron Rehabilitation – (Design/Construction) – Increase;
- **Shenandoah Valley Regional Airport (SHD)** was awarded \$531,348 in discretionary funds for Auto Parking Lot & T-Hangar Taxiway Rehab. (Construction), Parallel Taxiway Rehab. (Construction), General Aviation (G.A.) Terminal Building Renovation (Design), G.A. Terminal Building Public-Use Furniture Replacement \$41,030 and G.A. Terminal Building Renovation (Construction). SHD was also awarded \$50,000 in entitlement funds for Parallel Taxiway Rehab. (Construction) and Runway 5/23 Rehab. (Construction) – Increase;

Region 3:

- **Culpeper Regional Airport** was allocated \$7,290 for Mid field Apron Connector (Construction) – Increase;
- **Front Royal-Warren County Airport** in the amount of \$1,736 for Land Acquisition – Part 77/Runway Object Free Area;
- **Leesburg Executive Airport** was awarded \$64,616 for South Apron Expansion – Phase 1 (Design), Runway 17/35 & Taxiway Rehab. (Construction) – Increase;
- **Luray Caverns Airport** was awarded \$2,400 for Land Acquisition – Runway 22 RPZ;
- **Manassas Regional Airport** was allocated \$60,000 for East Apron Rehab. & Expansion (Construction);
- **New Market Airport** in the amount of \$212,000 for Apron/Taxiway Rehab. (Construction);
- **Stafford Regional Airport** was awarded \$137,300 for T-Hangar #3 Site Preparation (Design), Terminal Loop Road (Design/Construction), Terminal Building (Design) (61% Public Use);
- **Warrenton-Fauquier Airport** was awarded \$78,785 for Clear Span Hangar Site Preparation (Design), Land Acquisition – Approaches Rehabilitation/Expansion (Design/Construction), Airport Layout Plan (ALP) Update, Fueling System Expansion – Jet A (Design/Construction), Airport Rehabilitation/Expansion – Phase 3 (Design/Construction) – Increase and Terminal Building Study;
- **Winchester Regional Airport** in the amount \$65,950 Land Acquisition – RPZ – Phase 3 (Parcels 31, 46 & 53) and G.A. Terminal Building Renovation Study \$40,000;

Region 4:

- **Louisa County Airport** was allocated \$14,250 for Apron & Taxiway Rehab. (Construction);
- **Middle Peninsula Airport** was awarded \$925,623 for Fueling System (Construction), Terminal Building (Construction) (73% Public-Use), Terminal Building Site Preparation/Auto Parking (Construction)
- **New Kent County Airport** in the amount of \$8,160 for Runway 10-35 Rehab. (Construction) – Increase;

Region 5:

- **Charlottesville-Albemarle Airport (CHO)** received \$1,118,803 in discretionary funds for Air Carrier Terminal Building Rehab. (Design/Construction) – Non-AIP, CHO also received \$805,061 in entitlement funds for Air Carrier Access Road, Air Carrier Apron Rehab., G.A. Apron Rehab./Expansion (Design/Construction) – Non-AIP – Increase, Air Carrier Terminal Building Rehab. (Design/Construction) – Non-AIP, Backup Generator (Design and

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Construction), Airport Rescue and Fire Fighting (ARFF)/LEO Equipment, ARFF Training Network, 800MHz Radio System Debt Service and Air Carrier Terminal Building Rehab. (Design/Construction) – AIP;

- **Danville Regional Airport** was allocated \$321,877 for Land Acquisition – Runway 2/20 RPZ, Taxiway “E” Rehab. (Construction) – Increase, Terminal Building Rehab. (Construction);
- **William M. Tuck** was awarded Taxiway Rehabilitation and Medium Intensity Runway Light (MITL’s) (Construction) – Increase;

Region 6:

- **Chesterfield County Airport** received \$55,500 for North Terminal Apron (Constuction);
- **Dinwiddie County Airport** in the amount of \$30,750 for Obstruction Removal Runway 5 & 23 Approaches (Design/Construction);
- **Emporia-Greenville Regional Airport** received \$1,440 for Partial Parallel Taxiway – Phase 2 (Design);
- **Mecklenburg-Brunswick Airport** was awarded \$1,500 for Partial Parallel Taxiway – Phase 2 (Design);
- **Wakefield Municipal Airport** was allocated \$6,000 for Airport Layout Plan (ALP) Update;

Region 7:

- **Accomack County Airport** received \$10,273 for Helicopter Parking Apron (Design) and Partial Parallel Taxiway – North (Design);
- **Chesapeake Regional Airport** received \$245,700 for Master Plan Update and T-Hangar #23 & #25 Site Preparation (Construction);
- **Franklin Municipal** was awarded \$13,500 for Taxiway Rehabilitation & Runway 9 Precision Approach Path Indicator (PAPI) (Constuction);
- **Hampton Roads executive Airport** received \$120,000 for T-Hangar Taxiways & Access Road Rehab. (Construction);
- **Suffolk Executive Airport** was allocated \$323,369 for Extended Runway Safety Read (ERSA) Extension (Design), Clear Span Hangar Site Preparation – Phase 2 (Design/Construction) and Wetlands Mitigation – Runway Extension – Phase 2;
- **Tangier Airport** was awarded \$4,500 for Runway 2/20, Taxiway & Apron Rehab. (Design);
- **Williamsburg-Jamestown Airport** received \$16,000 Airport Layout Plan (ALP) Update.

In other significant action, the VAB also allocated \$398,567 from the Aviation Promotion/Air Service Development and Enhancement Grant-in-Aid Program to 18 of the Commonwealth’s airports.

Region 1:

- **Tazewell County Airport** was awarded \$7,500 for Aviation Promotion;
- **Twin County Airport** received \$667.00 for Aviation Promotion;
- **Virginia Tech/Montgomery Executive Airport** received \$7,500 for Aviation Promotion;

Region 2:

- **Roanoke Regional Airport** was awarded \$45,000 for Aviation Promotion and Air Service Development;
- **Shenandoah Valley Regional Airport** received \$45,000 for Aviation Promotion and Air Service Development;

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Region 3:

- **Leesburg Executive Airport** in the amount \$7,500 for Aviation Promotion;
- **Winchester Regional Airport** was allocated \$7,500 for Aviation Promotion;

Region 4:

- **Hummel Field** received \$2,100 for Aviation Promotion;
- **New Kent County Airport** was awarded \$3,300 for Aviation Promotion;
- **Richmond International Airport** in the amount of \$45,000 for Aviation Promotion and Air Service Development;

Region 5:

- **Charlottesville-Albemarle Regional Airport** received \$45,000 for Aviation Promotion and Air Service Development;
- **Lynchburg Regional Airport** in the amount of \$45,000 for Aviation Promotion and Air Service Development;

Region 6:

- **Chesterfield County Airport** was awarded \$7,500 for Aviation Promotion;
- **Emporia-Greenville Regional Airport** was allocated \$7,500 for Aviation Promotion;

Region 7:

- **Newport News/Williamsburg International Airport** received \$45,000 for Aviation Promotion and Air Service Development;
- **Newport News/Task Force** received \$45,000 for Aviation Promotion and Air Service Development;
- **Norfolk International Airport** was allocated \$25,000 for Aviation Promotion;
- **Suffolk Municipal Airport** received \$7,500 for Aviation Promotion.

The Virginia Aviation Board has eight members representing seven regions. The Board approves funding requests brought to it by the Virginia Department of Aviation, a state agency working to support and promote commercial and private aviation interests for the Commonwealth's 67 public-use airports.

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